

**Georgia State Board of Examiners for the Certification of Water and Wastewater  
Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts  
Board Meeting  
October 21, 2010**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Examiners for the Certification of Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts was held on October 21, 2010 at the Professional Licensing Board office in Macon, GA. Margaret Doss, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

A quorum was established with members present being: Margaret Doss, Chairperson, Stanley Tate, Michael Whatley, Tony Rojas, Eric Osborne, and William Defino.

Others present were as follows: Steve Lindsey, Executive Director; Melanie Brown, Board Support Specialist and Amelia Baker with the Attorney General's office via video conference.

Members of the public and professional associations attended as follows:

1. Jocelyn Hunt, Macon Water Authority
2. Fred Finley, Georgia Rural Water Association
3. Joel Peacock, Georgia Association of Water Professionals

**Approval of Minutes:**

Mike Whatley moved, Eric Osborne seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2010 Board meeting.

**Executive Session:**

Stanley Tate moved to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on applications, complaints, and investigations, as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h). Eric Osborne seconded the motion. The motion was carried by Margaret Doss, Chairperson, Stanley Tate, Tony Rojas, Eric Osborne, Mike Whatley and William Defino. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on the matters discussed and to continue with the public session.

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**Applications:**

Stanley Tate moved, Bill Defino seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the following licenses issued since the August 19, 2010 meeting:

1.	W1-014540	Clifton, Jason Keith	Water Operator Class 1	Lagrange	GA
2.	W1-014541	Bertetto, Timothy James	Water Operator Class 1	Locust Grove	GA
3.	W1-014542	Macy, Frances Ann	Water Operator Class 1	Carrollton	GA
4.	W1-014543	Curry, Michael Lee	Water Operator Class 1	McDonough	GA
5.	W1-014544	Teal, Benjamin Wayne	Water Operator Class 1	Thomaston	GA
6.	W1-014545	Wilson, Gregory Philip	Water Operator Class 1	Covington	GA
7.	W1-014546	Mann, Charles Michael	Water Operator Class 1	Panama City	FL
8.	W2-014806	Thomas, Marcus Eric	Water Operator Class 2	Talbotton	GA
9.	W2-014807	Bone, Thomas Christopher	Water Operator Class 2	Madison	GA
10.	W2-014808	Fallin, Dennis Brandon	Water Operator Class 2	Thomaston	GA
11.	W2-014809	Williams, Marvin Wesley	Water Operator Class 2	Hoschton	GA
12.	W2-014810	Snyder, Bryant Christopher	Water Operator Class 2	Carrollton	GA
13.	W2-014811	Hembree, Patrick S	Water Operator Class 2	Jackson	GA
14.	W2-014812	Bray, Christopher Morgan	Water Operator Class 2	Brunswick	GA
15.	W2-014813	Kuehl, Matthew Robert	Water Operator Class 2	Newnan	GA
16.	W2-014814	White, Shara Lee	Water Operator Class 2	Dearing	GA
17.	W3-015779	Ellis, Gilbert Dale, Jr.	Water Operator Class 3	Baxley	GA
18.	W3-015780	Covington, Brent Owens	Water Operator Class 3	Dawsonville	GA
19.	W3-015781	Hines, Travis Eugene	Water Operator Class 3	Newnan	GA
20.	W3-015782	Lempke, Jeffrey Alan	Water Operator Class 3	Jeffersonville	GA
21.	W3-015783	Walker, Timothy Carl	Water Operator Class 3	Moultrie	GA
22.	W3-015784	Mizell, Joseph, Jr	Water Operator Class 3	Pearson	GA
23.	W3-015785	Stump, Rory Dane	Water Operator Class 3	Fayetteville	GA
24.	W3-015786	Caldwell, Jerry Russell	Water Operator Class 3	Monticello	GA
25.	W3-015787	Williams, Darrell Vanardo	Water Operator Class 3	Augusta	GA
26.	W3-015788	Fennell, Joseph Wilburn	Water Operator Class 3	Dallas	GA
27.	W3-015789	Booker, Christopher Steven	Water Operator Class 3	Hiram	GA
28.	W3-015790	D'Aguillo, Anthony Alphonse	Water Operator Class 3	Savannah	GA
29.	W3-015791	Weaver, Woodrow Leroy	Water Operator Class 3	Cusseta	GA
30.	W3-015792	Alligood, William Alton, Sr.	Water Operator Class 3	Davisboro	GA

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31.	W4-002277	Weeks, Stephen Dewayne	Water Operator Class 4	Colquitt	GA
32.	W4-002278	Blake, Charles Dennis	Water Operator Class 4	Albany	GA
33.	W4-002279	Browning, Kurt Ira	Water Operator Class 4	Brunswick	GA
34.	W4-002280	Guest, Jonathan Michael	Water Operator Class 4	Pitts	GA
35.	W4-002281	Parker, Leo Wilson, IV	Water Operator Class 4	Hiram	GA
36.	W4-002282	Griggs, Mark James	Water Operator Class 4	Americus	GA
37.	WD015453	Hazlewood, Jason Lee	Water Distribution Operator	Cartersville	GA
38.	WD015454	Pinchinat, Haschbaddana	Water Distribution Operator	Smyrna	GA
39.	WD015455	Williams, Dechavion Dartez	Water Distribution Operator	Morrow	GA
40.	WD015456	Smith, Allen Q	Water Distribution Operator	Atlanta	GA
41.	WD015457	Macy, Frances Ann	Water Distribution Operator	Carrollton	GA
42.	WD015458	Radford, Morris	Water Distribution Operator	Decatur	GA
43.	WD015459	Clark, Tina Renee	Water Distribution Operator	Dallas	GA
44.	WD015460	Ghann, David Matthew	Water Distribution Operator	Madison	GA
45.	WD015461	Williams, Stephen Roo	Water Distribution Operator	Canton	GA
46.	WD015462	Culpepper, Chesley Raygene	Water Distribution Operator	Enigma	GA
47.	WD015463	Jones, Edmond Jerome, Sr.	Water Distribution Operator	Rome	GA
48.	WD015464	Watkins, Tony Chad	Water Distribution Operator	Temple	GA
49.	WD015465	McLarnon, Jeffery Brian	Water Distribution Operator	Douglas	GA
50.	WD015466	Crocker, Gary Paul	Water Distribution Operator	Clarksville	GA
51.	WD015467	Crawford, Donald Keith, Jr.	Water Distribution Operator	Morrow	GA
52.	WL014373	Sharpe, Anthony Ryan	Water Laboratory Analyst	Locust Grove	GA
53.	WW1-014829	Kiblinger, Keith Brian	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Zebulon	GA
54.	WW1-014830	Rohrer, Hugh Lynn	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Constantine	MI
55.	WW1-014831	Biles, Timothy Douglas	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Euharlee	GA
56.	WW1-014832	Cooper, Mark Wayne	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Trion	GA
57.	WW1-014833	Ray, Richard Allen	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Dawsonville	GA
58.	WW1-014834	McKinnon, Philip John	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Aiken	SC
59.	WW1-014835	Linkenhoker, Thomas S, Jr	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Melbourne	FL
60.	WW1-014836	Flair, John Michael	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Woodstock	GA
61.	WW1-014837	Roper, Michael Charles, Jr	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Dallas	GA
62.	WW1-014838	Perkins, Greg Alan	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Newnan	GA
63.	WW1-014839	Kepley, Troy J	Wastewater Operator Class 1	Cape Coral	FL
64.	WW2-014853	Hostetler, Roy Joseph	Wastewater Operator Class 2	Talking Rock	GA
65.	WW2-014854	Cowan, Donald Leon	Wastewater Operator Class 2	Social Circle	GA

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66.	WW2-014855	Sahmota, Manjeet	Wastewater Operator Class 2	Jesup	GA
67.	WW2-014856	Joe, Antoine Eugene, Sr	Wastewater Operator Class 2	Dacula	GA
68.	WW2-014857	Flasck, Tania	Wastewater Operator Class 2	Aiken	SC
69.	WW2-014858	Yockachonis, Larry Joseph	Wastewater Operator Class 2	Blackshear	GA
70.	WW3-016525	Schmoekel, Charles Arthur	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Pooler	GA
71.	WW3-016526	Reed, Parker Wisdom, Jr	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Fort Valley	GA
72.	WW3-016527	Morris, Shaun Ashley	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Albany	GA
73.	WW3-016528	Ray, James Chadwick	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Fitzgerald	GA
74.	WW3-016529	Mcconaha, Jason Edward	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Metter	GA
75.	WW3-016530	Culbert, William Francis, 3	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Jasper	GA
76.	WW3-016531	Gosnell, Nancy Whitworth	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Mount Airy	GA
77.	WW3-016532	Tierce, Ethan O'Neil	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Warner Robins	GA
78.	WW3-016533	Young, Jason Ryan	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Chatsworth	GA
79.	WW3-016534	West, Mark Todd	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Buford	GA
80.	WW3-016535	Meyers, Mike Charles	Wastewater Operator Class 3	duluth	GA
81.	WW3-016536	Parks, Henry David	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Jefferson	GA
82.	WW3-016537	smith, dwight nmn, Jr.	Wastewater Operator Class 3	thomaston	GA
83.	WW3-016538	Rivers, Bradford Kyle	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Ball Ground	GA
84.	WW3-016539	Coley, Jimmy Carroll	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Gainesville	GA
85.	WW3-016540	Carver, Jacob William	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Ball Ground	GA
86.	WW3-016541	Knight, Diana Goss	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Savannah	GA
87.	WW3-016542	Harkins, Michael Anthony	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Hiawassee	GA
88.	WW3-016543	Boyzuick, Peter Paul, III	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Augusta	GA
89.	WW3-016544	Shillcutt, Steven Frank	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Kathleen	GA
90.	WW3-016545	Brooks, Bobby Ray	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Ochlocknee	GA
91.	WW3-016546	Camp, Emily Jean	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Winston	GA
92.	WW3-016547	Beckom, Randy Joe	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Grantville	GA
93.	WW3-016548	Clark, Robert Dwayne, Jr.	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Jackson	GA
94.	WW3-016549	Harshbarger, Michael James, Jr.	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Roswell	GA
95.	WW3-016550	Fuller, Dustin Avey	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Rutledge	GA
96.	WW3-016551	Cloud, Bryan Anthony	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Cumming	GA
97.	WW3-016552	Walker, Clint Marvin	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Newnan	GA
98.	WW3-016553	Chatterjee, Prabir Kumar	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Columbus	GA
99.	WW3-016554	Wheelis, Bradley Dwight	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Gainesville	GA
100.	WW4-000152	Cardenas, Juan Diego, Jr	Wastewater Operator Class 4	Immokalee	FL

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101.	WW4-000153	Wilson, Rodney Lane	Wastewater Operator Class 4	Barnesville	GA
102.	WWC032510	Warmoth, Jason Andrew	Wastewater Collect Sys Oper	Temple	GA
103.	WWC032511	Watson, Casey Garrett	Wastewater Collect Sys Oper	McDonough	GA
104.	WWC032512	Walker, Ardonley	Wastewater Collect Sys Oper	Atlanta	GA
105.	WWC032513	Goddard, William Hugh	Wastewater Collect Sys Oper	Jonesboro	GA
106.	WWC032514	Wood, Joshua Paul	Wastewater Collect Sys Oper	Morrow	GA
107.	WWC032515	Merriweather, Michael Anthony	Wastewater Collect Sys Oper	Lithonia	GA
108.	WWC032516	McLain, Andrea Nicole	Wastewater Collect Sys Oper	Hampton	GA
109.	WWC032517	Veal, Heather Lois	Wastewater Collect Sys Oper	Macon	GA
110.	WWC032518	Jones, Bobby C	Wastewater Collect Sys Oper	Moultrie	GA
111.	WWID032070	Smith, Joel Douglas	Wastewater Industrial Operator	Cleveland	GA
112.	WWID032071	Mason, Jonathan Ashley	Wastewater Industrial Operator	Warner Robins	GA
113.	WWL014507	Garmon, Jeremy Roger	Wastewater Laboratory Analyst	Mount Airy	GA
114.	WWL014508	Nawaz, Sahir	Wastewater Laboratory Analyst	Savannah	GA
115.	WWL014509	Wirth, Thomas Christopher	Wastewater Laboratory Analyst	Hortense	GA

Bill Defino moved, Mike Whatley seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following applications:

Abebe Kabtimer	1247085	Water Distribution Operator	Decatur, GA
Garcia, Rudy, Jr	1247359	Water Operator Class 2	Okeechobee, FL
Myers, Donald	1247721	Water Operator Class 4	Ray City, GA
Kevin Holland	1247815	Water Distribution Operator	Dallas, GA
Cozart, Victor	1248343	Wastewater Oper. Class 1	Orlando, FL
Joseph Mizell	1248853	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Pearson, GA
Norton, Hurbert	1250658	Water Distribution Operator	Lavonia, GA
Michael East	1253888	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Hogansville, GA
Graham, Kenna Chonode	1255147	Water Distribution Operator	Hinesville, GA
Stuart, David Michael	1245038	Wastewater Collection Systems Operator	Gainesville, GA
Mihirkumar R Shah	1229582	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Marietta, GA
Steven Nestor	1152144	Water Distribution Operator	Marietta, GA

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Bill Defino moved, Mike Whatley seconded, and the Board voted to deny the following application:

Kelly Bell	1255433	Wastewater Lab Analyst	Valdosta, GA
Craig Martindale	1255465	Water Operator Class 4	Americus, GA

Bill Defino moved, Mike Whatley seconded, and the Board voted to table the following application pending review of the MN exam specifications:

1241894	Water Operator Class 3	Chisago City, MN
1241896	Wastewater Operator Class 3	Chisago City, MN

Bill Defino moved, Mike Whatley seconded and the Board voted to accept the report of pending cases presented by the Attorney General.

Bill Defino moved, Mike Whatley seconded and the Board voted to accept the recommendations made by the cognizant member during executive session on the following cases.

- WW100010                      No Board violations,  
Forward to EPD as area of concern
- WW100001                      Close no action

Eric Osborne moved, Tony Rojas seconded and the Board voted to approve the following courses submitted for continuing education:

<u>Program Provider/Sponsor</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Training Hours</u>	<u>Pts. Requested</u>	<u>Pts. Approved</u>
American Water Works Association (AWWA) Leah Bang, AWWA CEU Coordinator 6666 W. Quincy Avenue Denver, CO 80235 303-734-3436 <a href="mailto:Lbang@awwa.org">Lbang@awwa.org</a>	Water Quality Conference and Exposition (WQTC 2010)	25		12

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Carus Chemical Corporation Robert L. Myers 315 Fifth Street Peru, IL 61354 815-435-6856 <a href="mailto:bob.myers@caruscorporation.com">bob.myers@caruscorporation.com</a>	Potassium Permanganate Training	4		2
California State University, Sacramento Office of Water Programs 6000 J Street Sacramento, CA 95819-6025 916-278-6142 <a href="mailto:wateroffice@csus.edu">wateroffice@csus.edu</a>	WAT 601A - Wastewater Treatment - Facilities and Pretreatment	18	1.8 CEUs	6 CE Only
	WAT 601B - Wastewater Treatment - Sedimentation and Flotation	18	1.8 CEUs	6 CE Only
	WAT 601C - Wastewater Treatment - Fixed Film Processes	18	1.8 CEUs	6 CE Only
	WAT 601D - Wastewater Treatment - Suspended Growth Processes	18	1.8 CEUs	6 CE Only
	WAT 601E - Wastewater Treatment - Disinfection	18	1.8 CEUs	6 CE Only
Dalton Utilities 1200 VD Parrott Parkway Dalton GA 30722-0869 706-463-3876 <a href="mailto:ghill@dutil.com">ghill@dutil.com</a>	Defensive Driving	8	4	4
	Back Safety	4	2	2
	Fire Protection	4	2	2
EMA Rebecca Zeeuw - Account Manager 165 South Main Street Cortland, NY 13045 607-756-0424 607-756-0429 fax	AC Drive Trouble Shooting Seminar			12
Environmental Specialties & Services Richard Bundy 1017 Fieldstone Dr. Canton, GA 30114 770-596-9080	Water Distribution Operations	40		27 hours basic distribution

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ESG Operations, Inc. Darrell West 6400 Peake Rd. Macon, GA 31210 478-474-5025ext.230 <a href="mailto:dwest@esginc.net">dwest@esginc.net</a>	Trenching and Excavations	4	2	2
City of Gainesville Stephen J. Douglas 2641 Old Flowery Branch Road Gainesville GA 30504 770-535-3076 <a href="mailto:sdouglas@gainesville.org">sdouglas@gainesville.org</a>	Emergency Response to Terrorism	4.5		2
Georgia Rural Water Association P.O. Box 383 410 Thomaston St. Barnesville, GA 30204 Fred Finley 770-358-0221 <a href="mailto:ffinley@nctv.com">ffinley@nctv.com</a>	HDPE Training Class		2	2
	Chemical Dosage & Feed Optimization - Just Feed What You Need	6.25	6	6
	When I Look in the Mirror - Resource Utilization & Personal Ethics	6.25	6	3
Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District Abby Owens, Principal Environmental Planner 40 Courtland Street, NE Atlanta, GA 30303 404-463-3261 <a href="mailto:aowens@atlantaregional.com">aowens@atlantaregional.com</a>	Water System Audit Workshop	5.5	4 or 5	5
Peach State "1788" Chapter of the American Backflow Prevention Association Scot A. McEwen, Chapter President P.O. Box 2145 Lawrenceville, GA 30046 770-995-7619	2010A - "Ask The Expert" 2010 Annual Educational Conference	6		6
	2010/2011A-Field Repair and Installation Seminar	8		8
	2010/2011 Backflow Prevention Program Coordinators CE			12

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	2010/2011B-Field Repair and Installation Seminar	8		8
Templeton & Associates Engineering Sales William E. Cannon, PE 4324 Brogdon Exchange Suite 100 Suwanee, GA 30024 770-614-8550 <a href="mailto:dave@templeton-associates.com">dave@templeton-associates.com</a>	Centrifugal Pumps: Application, Operation, Maintenance & Troubleshooting	6	6	6
	Trojan UV Application & O&M Training Seminar	4	4	4
Texas Engineering Extension Service Vince Slominski 301 Tarrow Drive John B Connally Building College Station, TX 77840-7896 979-458-4609 <a href="mailto:vince.slominski@teexmail.tamu.edu">vince.slominski@teexmail.tamu.edu</a>	Disaster Management	16		8
The Water Environment Federation (WEF) Matthew Jones - Continuing Education Administrator 601 Wythe Street Alexandria, VA 22314 703-684-2400x7090	WEFTEC 2010 - Annual Conference and Technical Exhibition	36		12

The Board held an open discussion with association members present aimed at drafting a new continuing education policy that would become effective for licensees by 2013.

Mike Whatley moved, Stanley Tate seconded, and the Board voted to suspend Albert S. Askew's license to practice as a Wastewater Class 1 Operator, License No. WW1-014419 and a Water Class 3 Operator, License No. W3-015079, for failure to repay a student loan. The suspension will cease upon receipt by the Division Director of a "Notice of Release" from the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation.

Mike Whatley moved, Stanley Tate seconded, and the Board voted to suspend Michael J. Ruff's license to practice as a Water Class 3 Operator, License No. W3-015691, for failure to repay a student loan. The suspension will cease upon receipt by the Division Director of a "Notice of Release" from the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation.

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Bill Defino moved, Mike Whatley seconded, and the Board voted to receive as information correspondence from the following licensee.

- Gregory White                      WW1-014466

Bill Defino moved, Mike Whatley seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following applicant be allowed to sit for the wastewater operator class 2 exam:

- 1249801                      Robert Bayne

The Board agreed to have Tony Rojas attend the Georgia Association of Water Professional's spring conference and give a presentation on behalf of the Board.

Bill Defino reported to the Board that he would be giving a presentation at the Global Water Partnership conference in Dalton, Georgia next week on behalf of the Board.

Eric Osborne also reported that he would be giving a presentation about the Board's history at the American Water Works Association's WQTC Talk on November 13<sup>th</sup>.

The next meeting of the Board will be December 9, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:36 p.m.

Minutes were approved at the December 9, 2010 board meeting.